



INTERAGENCY INTEROPERABILITY OVERSIGHT GROUP CHARTER

INTRODUCTION

Safe, efficient, and effective field operations of the land managing programs and organizations of the US Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Interior depend on the ability to interoperate through land mobile radio, computer networks, and related technologies. Legacy infrastructure, policies, and organizations pose significant barriers to interagency cooperation and program delivery in law enforcement, wildland fire management, and other field operations. Numerous coordination and governance mechanisms exist within individual program areas and agencies, but there is no mechanism to coordinate and integrate the business users (e.g. law enforcement, wildland fire), the service providers (e.g. radio, network services), and business services (e.g. facilities, procurement, budget) to promote communications interoperability.

INTERAGENCY INTEROPERABILITY OVERSIGHT GROUP

The Interagency Interoperability Oversight Group (IIOG) is established by the undersigned to provide executive level leadership, coordination, integration, oversight, and accountability among and between existing and future coordination and governance groups.

OBJECTIVE

The objective of the IIOG is to develop and foster a well defined, ongoing, interagency, interdisciplinary, methodology for promoting and enabling interoperability.

SCOPE

The scope of the IIOG is to address land mobile radio and information technology issues affecting public safety programs in the Department of the Interior and USDA Forest Service, to include supporting and relating programs and capabilities such as dispatch, procurement, facilities management, and capital planning.

MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the IIOG is the undersigned executives, or their successors. Advisors from such program areas as acquisition, facilities management, budget, and capital planning will be invited to participate as needed for the effective functioning of the IIOG.

The IIOG will select from within its membership a chair and other positions necessary to conduct business.

MEETINGS

The IIOG will meet at least quarterly at times and venues necessary to conduct its business. Records of principal actions and decisions will be kept. Members will contribute resources necessary to support the meetings of the IIOG.

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